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September 14, 37.

Sir,

This serves to acknowledge the receipt  
of one J. Allen, British subject, handed over to  
the Shanghai Municipal Police by your Nantao  
Authorities on September 11, 1937.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

*Sey.*

Deputy Commissioner  
(Crime Branch)

Dr. Hung Chi,  
Chief of 2nd Division,  
Shanghai City Government Police Bureau,  
c/o Passport Office,  
Ave. Edward VII,  
Shanghai.

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Station Reference No.258/37.

COPY OF POLICE REPORT DATED  
SEPTEMBER 11, 1937.  
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This foreigner gave him a small chit on which was written " I am Mr. J. Allen - When shall I return - 9/9/37"

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Mr. Manley was referred to B'Well Station, efforts made to get in touch with Nantao Headquarters on the 10-9-37 met with no results.

At 9 a.m. 11-9-37 D.I. Toon communicated with Nantao Headquarters and ascertained that Mr. Allen was detained there, having been arrested by a member of the S.C.G.P.B. at about 10 a.m. 9-9-37 in the vicinity of Foh Sing Kyung (北新涇), no further details available.

D.I. Toon and D.S.I. Wu Chen Mo proceeded to the French Police and obtained the chit written by Mr. Allen and with the assistance of Inspector Chiang Foh Dien, French Police, proceeded to Nantao Headquarters where upon producing Mr. Allen's British Passport he was handed over against receipt.

The Nantao Authorities request that an official letter from Police Headquarters be sent to them acknowledging receipt of Mr. Allen.

As Mr. Allen is both deaf and dumb several written questions were put to him with a view to ascertaining under what circumstances he was arrested, but no tangible answer could be obtained.

Mr. Manley, who is Mr. Allen's brother-in-law was communicated with and attended B'well Station, he stated that Mr. Allen was a mental case and could not give a clear answer to any questions as he became confused.

Mr. Allen was handed over to the care of Mr. Manley who stated he would see that he returned to his home at 103 Burkill Road.

Certified true copy:

*Johnac Dermott.*

P.A. & G.C. (Lancaster)

*Special Branch copy*

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Bubbling Well

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*Copy sent together with  
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*Adm.*  
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P.A. sub. handed  
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